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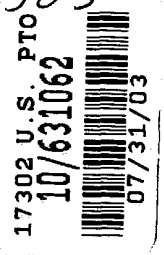
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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TRANSPARENTLY SHARING AN EXCEPTION VECTOR BETWEEN FIRMWARE AND AN OPERATING SYSTEM**

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Enclosed are also:

- ☒ 20 Pages of Specification including an Abstract
- ☒ 6 Pages of Claims (Claims 1 - 24)
- ☒ 4 Sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

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| Independent Claims | 6 | -3 = | 3 | X | \$ 84 | = | \$252 |
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